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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action in the above captioned case mailed on October 24, 2001.

In the Claims

Please delete claim 18. Please add new claims 27-62 as follows:

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27. (new) A device for subject fluid analysis, the device comprising:

(a) an elastic self closing diaphragm;

(b) a feed element associated with the self closing diaphragm, the feed element being suitable for delivery of a substance into a subject; and

(c) an aspiration element associated with the self closing diaphragm, the aspiration element having a second distal end disposed opposite the elastic self closing diaphragm, wherein the aspiration element is suitable for accessing subject fluids.

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